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ELECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 43 OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, TO REPLACE THOSE WHOSE TERMS ARE DUE TO EXPIRE ON 28 FEBRUARY 2005

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The present addendum contains additional nominations for election to the Committee on the Rights of the Child received after 3 November 2004, which was the date referred to by the Secretary-General in his note verbale dated 3 September 2004 and in conformity with article 43, paragraph 4 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. All nominations submitted before 3 November 2004 are contained in document CRC/SP/35. Biographical data of the persons nominated, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in the annex to the present document.

Name of candidate	Nominated by
Agnes Akosua AIDOO	Ghana
Hyam BASHOUR	Syrian Arab Republic
Aleem Mahmud SHAIKH	Pakistan

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Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF NOMINEES

Agnes Akosua AIDOO (Ghana)

Date and place of birth: 1 October 1939, Mamponteng (Ghana)

Working languages: English and French (limited, reading and speaking)

Current position/function

Consultant Adviser and Researcher (child development and protection; gender; social policy; social and cultural development in Africa)

Member, Board of Trustees, National Partnership for Children's Trust, Ghana

Member, Advisory Board, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana

Main professional activities

Advocacy on children's rights and fund-raising for children's needs in education and health in Ghana

Advisory services to Government, United Nations agencies, NGOs and schools on children's development and protection, gender and women's issues

Research and policy analysis on issues of poverty, vulnerability and exclusion of children, youth and women in development in Ghana and Africa

Policy guidance and academic support to the Institute and students in African studies

Voluntary services for schools and churches for children and women's needs

Educational background

PhD (History and Social Anthropology), University of California at Los Angeles, United States of America, 1975

Research Fellowship, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 1968-1969

MA (History and International Relations), University of Toronto, Canada, 1966

BA (History, English, Political Science), University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada, 1963

West African School Certificate Grade 1 and Advanced Level, Holy Child School, Ghana, 1957-1959

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

UNICEF Representative to Tanzania, 1992-1998, led the Country Office Team in advocacy, research and analysis of the situation of children and women, formulation of strategies, programme activities and resource mobilization to meet identified needs

Global Senior Adviser on Women and Girls' Development, UNICEF headquarters, 1989-1992: I led research and advocacy on the rights of the Girl Child through CSW, UNICEF Executive Board and Member States until they became organizational priority

As Social Policy Adviser, UNECA, 1985-1989, I led advocacy, policy analysis and programme response to the changing needs of children, youth, families, persons with disabilities, refugees and displaced persons in Africa

I taught courses in women's rights at University of Cape Coast, Ghana, 1969-1972, 1977-1978

List of most recent publications in the field

Agnes Akosua Aidoo, Fatou Sarr and Idrissa Ouedraogo, *The Gender Perspective in the CCA/UNDAF and PRSP*

Processes and Priorities in West and Central Africa (UNICEF, 2002)

The Girl Child: An Investment in the Future (UNICEF, 1991, prepared by Agnes Akosua Aidoo)

Agnes Akosua Aidoo, Clara Fayorsey and Estelle Appiah, "Vulnerable Groups and Protection Issues in Ghana" (UNCT, Ghana, 2004, unpublished)

Agnes Akosua Aidoo, *Investing in the African Girl Child: Transforming the Future* (UNICEF, 2001, unpublished)

Hyam BASHOUR (Syrian Arab Republic)

Date and place of birth: 9 September 1960, Aleppo, Syrian Arab Republic

Working languages: Arabic (mother tongue), English

Current position/function

Professor of Epidemiology and Community Health, Chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Damascus (functions include teaching, research and advisory work)

Main professional activities

Member of the International Epidemiological Association

Member of the Royal Society of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Member of the Syrian Association of Public Health & Community Medicine

Member of the Syrian Pediatric Society

Member of the National Committee for Certification of Polio Eradication

Member of the WHO Regional Advisory Panel for Africa and Eastern Mediterranean for Reproductive Health

Member of the WHO Regional Technical Advisory Group for EPI

Member of the WHO Strategic Advisory Group of Experts for Immunization

Member of the Scientific Committee for Family and Community Medicine, Arab Board of the Medical Specialization

Member of the Reproductive Health Working Group

Educational background

MD, Faculty of Medicine, Aleppo University, 1983

MSc (Community Health in Developing Countries), London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London, 1987

PhD (Tropical Health Epidemiology), London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London, 1991

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Temporary Adviser for WHO and UNICEF on child health-related issues

List of most recent publications in the field

A community-based study of home accidents among young children in Damascus (under review, co-author M. Kharouf)

"Women's experiences with maternity care", Proceedings of the 38th Middle East Medical Assembly held in Beirut, 13-16 May 2004

"Routine Care of Normal Deliveries as applied in Syrian Maternity Wards", *Journal of the Arab Board of Medical Specializations*, vol. 6 (2004), pp. 134-140 (co-authorship)

"Dietary habits survey of in-school adolescents in Damascus, Syria", *Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal* (accepted for publication)

"Pregnancy outcomes among Palestinian Refugee women with sickle cell trait in Damascus", *Saudi Medical Journal*, vol. 24 (2003), pp. 986-990 (co-authorship)

"The contribution of breakfast in the nutritional daily intake among a sample of primary school children in Damascus (I)", *Journal of the Association of Arab Universities for Medical Sciences*, vol. 4 (2003), pp. 38-47 (co-author A.R. Chikh Issa)

"Relationship between breakfast consumption and educational and cognitive performance of primary school children in Damascus (II)", *Journal of the Association of Arab Universities for Medical Sciences*, vol. 4 (2003), pp. 93-100 (co-author A.R. Chikh Issa)

"Reasons for underreporting of notifiable diseases by Syrian Paediatricians", *Eastern Mediterraneun Health Journal*, vol. 7 (2001), pp. 211-217 (co-authors H. Laham and R. Khoury)

"Psychological stress and spontaneous abortion", *International Journal of Gynaecology and Obstetrics*, vol. 73 (2001), pp. 179-181 (co-author A. Abdul Salam)

"Risk factors of birth defects: A study at Damascus Maternity Teaching Hospital", Proceedings of the 40th Science Week, Tishreen University, Supreme Council of Science, 2000 (co-author A.D. Dashash)

"Neural tube defects: Protecting our next generation", paper presented at the 5th IEA Eastern Mediterranean Regional Scientific Meeting, Manama, Bahrain, 23-25 October 2000 (co-authorship)

"Does air pollution affect school children's anthropometry?" An abstract presented with A.D. Dashash and Y. Abu Hammed at the 4th IEA Eastern Mediterranean Regional Scientific Meeting, Tunis, 18-21 November 1998

"Causes of death among Syrian children using the method of verbal autopsy", *Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal*, vol. 2 (1996), pp. 440-448 (co-authors N. Abu-Rashid and S. Al-Jirf)

"A community-based study of acute respiratory infections among preschool children in Syria", *Journal of Tropical Pediatrics*, vol. 40 (1994), pp. 207-213 (co-authors R.H. Webber and T. F. de C. Marshall)

Aleem Mahmud SHAIKH (Pakistan)

Date of birth: 1 August 1947

Working languages: English, Urdu and Punjabi

Current positions: Secretary, Ministry of Social Welfare and Special Education and Chairman National Commission for Child Welfare and Development (NCCWD).

Current position/function

Supervising assignment of constitutional, legal and administrative provisions and measures to make them compatible with requirements of the international child rights instruments

Supervising development and implementation for the National Policy and Plan of Action for Children

Supervising establishment of child safety net against abuse and exploitation

Main professional activities

Development of the National Policy and Plan of Action for Children for next decade (2004-2014) as follow-up to the special session of the United Nations General Assembly on the rights of the child (New York, 2001)

Development and updating of the National Plan of Action against child abuse and commercial sexual exploitation of children as follow-up to the Second World Congress Against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (Yokohama, 2001)

Educational background

MSc (Punjab); MAEP & MBA (Boston/Harvard); AMP (Oxford); FRSC (United Kingdom); PhD (London); FBIM (United Kingdom)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Supervising the evaluation of welfare and development services for children

Supervising the awareness campaign "Say Yes to Child Rights" Movement in Pakistan

Supervising establishment of child rights bodies at grass-roots (union council) level

Supervising the establishment of the Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS) in Pakistan

Supervising capacity-building arrangements for the judiciary, policy, health and education workers, and prison authorities to promote the effective implementation of child-related laws and effective implementation of the Convention and other child-related international instruments

List of most recent publications in the field

Published a paper entitled "Social Welfare Schemes in Pakistan".